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AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please change the title as follows:

DIAMINE DERIVATIVE, PRODUCTION PROCESS THEREFOR AND ANTIOXIDANT

Following the title, please insert the following paragraphs:

Cross-Reference to Prior Application

This is a U.S. National Phase application under 35 U.S.C. §371 of International Patent Application No. PCT/JP2004/005240 filed April 13, 2004, and claims the benefit of Japanese Patent Application Nos. 2003-109665 filed April 14, 2003 and 2004-022719 filed January 30, 2004, all of which are incorporated by reference herein. The International Application was published in Japanese on October 28, 2004 as WO 2004/092153 A1 under PCT Article 21(2).

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

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This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1 (original): A compound represented by formula (1):

$$\begin{array}{c|c} CH_2NH_2 \\ H_2N & (CH_2) n \\ R2 & R1 & R4 \end{array} \tag{1}$$

(wherein, R1, R2, R3 and R4 respectively and independently represent a hydrogen atom or a C₁₋₆ alkyl group, and n represents an integer of 1 or 2).

Claim 2 (original): A production process of a compound represented by formula (1):

$$\begin{array}{c|c} CH_2NH_2 \\ H_2N & (CH_2) n \\ R2 & R3 \\ R1 & R4 \end{array} \tag{1}$$

(wherein, R1, R2, R3, R4 and n are the same as previously defined) comprising:

a step 1 in which a compound represented by formula (3):

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$$\begin{array}{c|c}
CH_2NO_2\\
0_2N & CH_2NO_2\\
R1 & CH_2NO_2\\
R3 & R3
\end{array}$$
(3)

(wherein, R1, R2, R3, R4 and n are the same as previously defined) is obtained by nitrating a compound represented by formula (2):

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$$\begin{array}{c} CH_3 \\ R2 \\ R1 \\ R4 \end{array} \qquad (CH_2) n \\ R3 \\ R4 \\ \qquad (2)$$

(wherein, R1, R2, R3, R4 and n are the same as previously defined); and,

a step 2 in which the resulting compound is converted to an amino group using a reducing agent.

Claim 3 (currently amended): An antioxidant characterized by comprising as its active ingredient at least one compound represented by formula (1):

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$$\begin{array}{c|c} CH_2NH_2 \\ H_2N & (CH_2) n \\ R2 & R1 & R4 \end{array} \tag{1}$$

(wherein, R1, R2, R3, R4 and n are the same as previously defined) or pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

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Claim 4 (currently amended): <u>A treatment agent for A kidney disease</u>, cerebrovascular, or circulatory disorder treatment agent characterized by comprising the antioxidant according to claim 3.

Claim 5 (currently amended): A eerebral infarction-treatment agent for cerebral infarction, characterized by comprising the antioxidant according to claim 3.

Claim 6 (currently amended): An retinal oxidation disorder inhibitor for retinal oxidation disorder eharacterized by comprising the antioxidant according to claim 3.

Claim 7 (currently amended): An retina disorder inhibitor for retina disorder according to claim 6 for age-related macular degeneration or diabetic retinopathy.

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Claim 8 (currently amended): An lipoxygenase-inhibitor for lipoxygenase characterized by comprising the antioxidant according to claim 3.

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